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**AMENDMENT**

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Sir:

The following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application, in response to the Office Action dated October 3, 2006 and the Decision by the Board of Appeals dated September 13, 2006. The amendments are listed below and set forth on the following pages.

Amendments to the Claims; and

Remarks are included following the amendments.

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